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1. Name				
Historic and / common	201 – 245 South Madeira St	reet		
2. Location				
street & number	201 – 245 South Madeira Stre	et		
city, town	Baltimore			
state & zip code	Maryland 21231	county		
3. Classificat	ion			
Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
district	_ public	X occupied	agriculture	museum
X building(s)	X private	unoccupied	commercial	_ park
structure	_ both	work in progress	educational	X private residence
site	Public Acquisition	Accessible X yes: restricted	entertainment government	religious scientific
object	in process being considered	yes: unrestricted	industrial	transportation
	not applicable	no	military	other:
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4. Owner of	Property			
name				
street & number			teleph	one
city, town		state & zi	p code	
5. Location o	of Legal Description	on		
courthouse, registry of d	eeds, etc. Baltimore City Land R			liber
street & number	Clarence Mitchell Co			folio
city, town Baltimore	-	State	Maryland	
6. Representa	ation in Existing	Historical Surv	veys	
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7. Description

Condition		Check One	Check One
excellent good _x fair	deteriorated ruins unexposed	unaltered X altered	X original sitemoved: date of move:

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

This group of twenty-two two-story, two-bay wide early Italianate-style brick houses with shed roofs and simple, scroll-sawn bracketed cornices were built in the 1870s by several different builders. Only a few of the houses retain their original brick facades, which were always painted. Most have been covered with formstone.

The houses are two stories in height, those at 201-213 are only 10'6" wide, those at 215-231 are 11' wide, and those at 233-241 are 13' wide, occupying lots ranging in depth from 39' to 54'. The two freestanding houses at 243 and 245 S. Madeira St. are 17' wide and occupy lots 50' deep. Each house is only two rooms deep and there is no backbuilding. The houses are constructed in common bond and were originally painted. Each house has a single hooded chimney located at the rear corner of the house. Only 233-241 retain their original cornices; those of 201-231 were covered over when the formstone was applied. For these units no original details are visible and all windows are filled with 1/1 replacement sash. Doorways have single-light transoms and a variety of replacement door types. The houses sit on medium-height basements, lit by single-light transoms. Each entrance is reached by two brick or concrete steps (231 has four metal steps), depending on the incline of the street.

At 233-241 S. Madeira St. the shed roofs are capped by a wooden cornice consisting of a crown molding supported by three long scroll-sawn brackets, decorated with grooves and turnings, that connect to a lower molding strip and end with a distinct trefoil pattern. The frieze area is plain. The window and door openings have splayed brick lintels and brick sill. No original 2/2 sash survive and all windows are filled with 1/1 replacement sash. Doorways have a single-light transom, two of which have been filled with newer stained glass. The houses sit on low basements, lit by a single-light sash. Each house is reached by two brick or concrete steps.

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8. Significance

Period	Area of significance	check one & justify		
prehistoric 1400-1499 1500-1599 1600-1699 1700-1799 X 1800-1899 1900	archeology-prehistoric archeology-historic agriculture X architecture art commerce communications	X community planning conservation economics education engineering exploration industry invention	landscape architecturelawliteraturemilitarymusicphilosophypolitics/government	religion science sculpture X social/ humanitarian theatre transportation other: specify
Specific dates	:. 1875	Builder/Architect		

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

This group of houses is significant in that it represents the level of architectural stylishness achieved by many builders of small street houses in the late nineteenth century. The houses were built according to a pattern that was quite common to the city's working class neighborhoods of the period 1870 to 1910. Recognizing that workers held different levels of jobs (and pay), builders created a hierarchy of house sizes (and prices) in the new neighborhoods going up to serve the expanding factory districts ringing the harbor and northeast of the central city. Builders acquired anywhere from an eighth to a half of a city block and built 14' to 15'-wide two-story houses on the main streets, and smaller, 11' to 13'-wide two-story houses on the narrower streets bisecting the blocks. Typically, in this period, main street houses might sell for \$1,200 to \$1,500; small street houses for \$700 - \$900.

The land originally belonged to the Patterson family as part of their 18th century estate, which also included the land given by the family to the city for Patterson Park. In the late 1860s the Patterson heirs began developing this block by leasing parcels to builders who sold most of the houses to mainly German-American semi-skilled tradesmen and laborers employed in nearby factories, who received mortgages from a variety of local building and loans, many of them sponsored by the German community.

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9. Major Bibliographic References

Mary Ellen Hayward and Charles Belfoure, *The Baltimore Rowhouse* (New York: Princeton Architectural Press, 1999)

10. Geographic Data

Acreage of nominated property

Quadrangle name

Verbal boundary description and justification

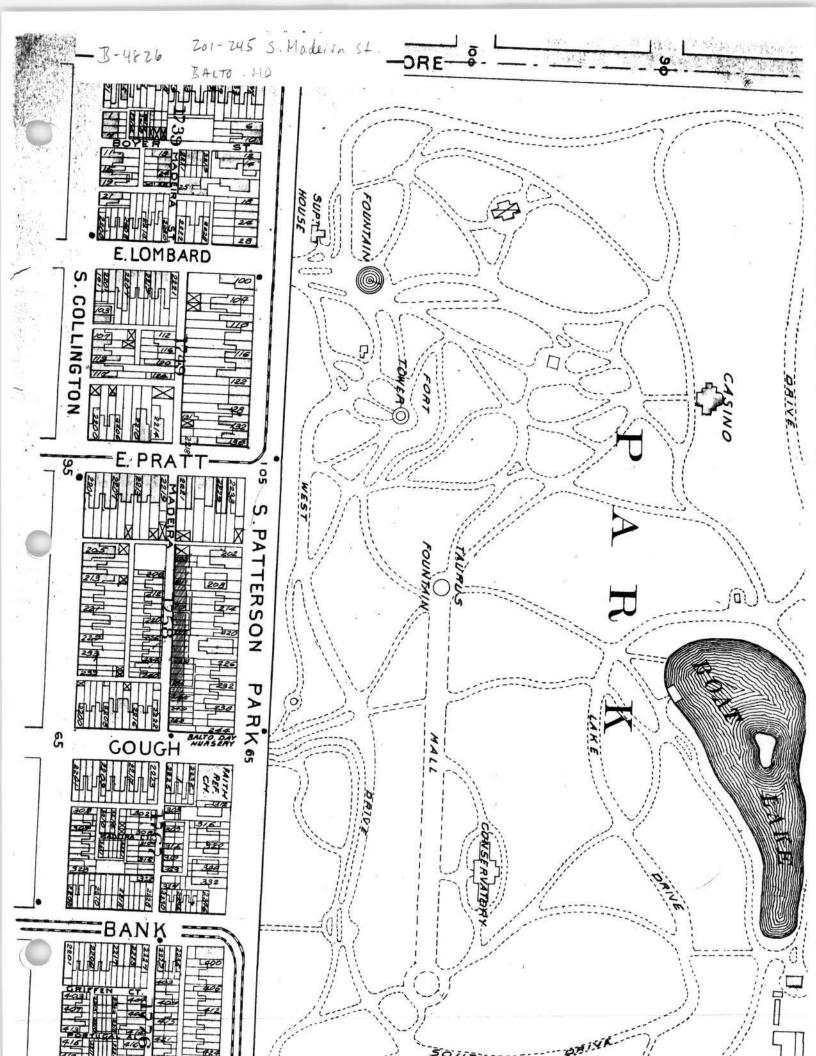
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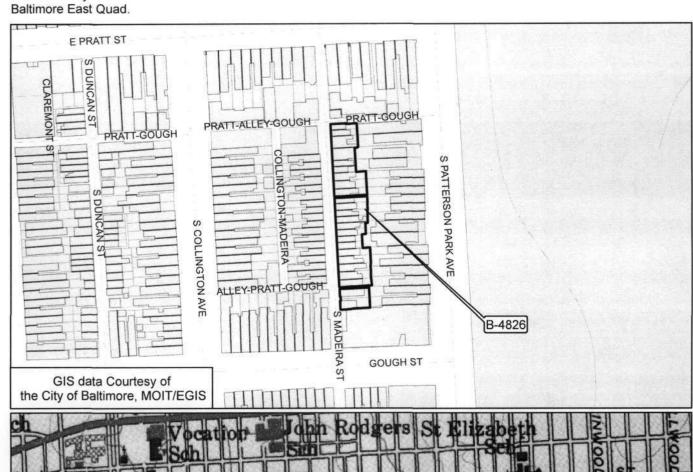
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